Indian Institute of Science Education and Research

1437. SHRI NATUJI HALAJI THAKOR: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to establish more Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) in the country to cater to the needs of the States keeping in view the feasibility/accessibility to various regions of the country;

(b) if so, the time by which these are likely to be established; and

(c) whether Gujarat is covered for establishing an IISER?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Assessment promotion of scientists

1438. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any officer/officers of various Institutes/Laboratories under the constituent establishment of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the Recruitment and Assessment Board (RAB) of CSIR have been assigned the duty of convening the assessment promotion of scientists working in various laboratories of CSIR;

(b) if so, the details including the designation of such officers working at National Institutes and RAB, CSIR for the last three years, year-wise, category-wise; and

(c) the details of assessment promotion of scientists pending in various laboratories of CSIR as on today, laboratory-wise, category-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Prof. V.S. Ramamurthy, Chairman Recruitment and Assessment Board, CSIR.

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources

1439. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources a constituent establishment of CSIR used to depute scientists to national and International conferences;

(b) if so, the details including the total fund allotted, request submitted for international travel, scientists who had deputed for conference, fund granted to scientist, period and name of the conference and purpose of participation for the last three years, year-wise, category-wise;